

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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APPLICATION NO:

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FOR: TRANSGENIC ANIMALS FOR STUDYING REGULATION OF  
GENES

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC §119

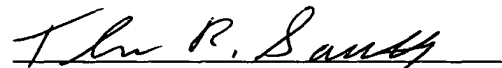
Sir:

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby claim priority under the International Convention of British Application No. 9925125.8, filed on October 22, 1999. This application is acknowledged in the Declaration of the instant case.

The certified copy of said application is of record in the parent Application No. 09/693,011 filed on October 20, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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